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## Let's Party!

It's not too early to plan your outdoor event for 2004.

Saint Paul has some great places to hold family gatherings, birthday parties, anniversary celebrations, weddings, or social club events with picnic facilities that can accommodate small groups from 20 to 60 people and larger facilities that can accommodate up to several hundred people. These facilities are available



for rentals from May 1st through October 10th.

Residents and businesses of the City of Saint Paul proper may apply for permits beginning Friday, January 2nd, 2004. Permits will be issued in person only at the Park Permit Office through January 9th. On January 12th, permits may be issued over the telephone with credit card payment only. Nonresidents may apply for permits beginning Monday, February 2nd, 2004.

For more information, please contact the Park Permit Office, 1100 No. Hamline, 651-632-5111, or visit the Parks and Recreation web site at www.ci.stpaul.mn.us/parks.

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# Holiday concerts

Get in the Holiday mood with some festive music! Come and enjoy the holiday sounds of the City and County Band. The ensemble will perform two noontime concerts.

The concerts are on Monday, December 15th, in the City Hall / Court House Memorial Hall, and on Tuesday, December 16th, on the first floor of the Lowry Building on the St. Peter side.

Both concerts begin at 12 noon. For more information about the concerts or how you can join the City/County Band, please contact Mary Livingston at 651-266-6366, or at mary.livingston@ci.stpaul.mn.us.

# Santa Brings a Lawsuit

Please bring dry-cleaned business suits and other professional clothing on hangers to the Saint Paul City Hall/Ramsey County Courthouse anytime between 8:15 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., on Thursday, December 18th, in the north atrium area of the building.

Place a note with each item stating its size. Volunteers will be present to provide you with a donation receipt.

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Please print this for your co-workers. The City is continuing to save money by not producing printed copies of the City Update, but still needs to communicate to all employees. Please help by printing this newsletter (preferably back-to-back) for workers in your area who do not have computer access. Thank you.

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There are several park picnic facilities available for rent, and each has unique amenities to complement your event:

- · Cherokee Park has two picnic shelters
- Como Park has a picnic pavilion and shelter
- Crosby Park has one shelter
- Hidden Falls Regional Park has one shelter
- Highland Park has a pavilion and a shelter (Available from May 1st through July 2nd due to a park renovation project taking place after July 2nd.)
- Indian Mounds Park has two shelters
- Newell Park has one building and one shelter
- Phalen Park has one pavilion and one shelter

In addition to the facilities listed above, the Clarence W. Wigington Pavilion at Harriet Island is available for rental yearround. Saint Paul residents may apply for permits 13 months in advance of an event, non-residents 12 months in advance of an event. For more information on this facility, please contact the Park Permit Office, 1100 No. Hamline, 651-632-5111, or visit the web site at www.ci.stpaul.mn.us/parks.

The Historic Como Streetcar Station is also available for private rentals. The Streetcar Station is a heated and air-conditioned facility available for year-round rental. Saint Paul residents may apply for permits 13 months in advance of an event, non-residents 12 months

### Shepard Road ribbon cutting



On Thursday, November 20th, a few public officials gathered to open Shepard Road to automobile traffic. City and County participants at the ribbon-cutting were, from left, Lucy Thompson of PED, Mayor Randy Kelly, Tim Mayasich of Ramsey County Public Works (behind the Mayor), Larry Lueth of St. Paul Public Works Construction, Paul St. Martin (a Public Works designer on the project), City Public Works Director Bob Sandquist, and Ramsey County Engineer Ken Haider.

The entire project, complete with bike and pedestrian paths and decorative railing and landscaping, will be open in the early summer of next year.

in advance of an event. For more information on this facility, please contact the Park Permit Office, 1100 No. Hamline, 651-632-5111, or visit the web site at www.ci.stpaul.mn.us/parks.

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Clothing will be donated to approximately 20 non-profits who will distribute the suits to people who are actively looking for work in the Twin Cities area.

Santa Brings A Lawsuit is sponsored by the Ramsey County Bar Association.

Others assisting and supporting the clothing drive are: New Lawyers Section of the RCBA; Thoele Printing/Dean Sanberg; Western Bank/Gary Peterson; St. Paul Legal Ledger/Jim Dolan; and Marshall Field's/St. Paul store. For more information or questions, contact Terry Duggins at 651-490-0222.

#### City job openings as of December 12th, 2003

| Application deadline | Job title            | Bi-weekly or<br>hourly salary rate | Exam<br>date |
|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|--------------|
| Open                 | ECC Telecommunicator | \$1,459.78 bi-weekly               | See Job Ann  |
| 12/15/03             | Water Plant Worker   | \$19.53 per hr                     | See Job Ann  |

Note: Call or visit the Office of Human Resources to receive the official job announcement for these positions. Location: 400 City Hall Annex. Phone: 651-266-6500 or visit the web site: www.ci.stpaul.mn.us/jobopenings. For jobs announced after December 9th, please call our 24-hour job line, 651-266-6502.

On January 16th, 2003, Mayor Randy Kelly announced a hiring freeze for the City of Saint Paul until further notice. This applies to all positions within the City, but excludes the Saint Paul-Ramsey County Department of Public Health and RiverCentre.

Certain positions my be determined exempt for the hiring freeze; please continue to check our web site and job line to see if there are any new postings in which you might be interested.